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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Hans Johann HORN

Appln. No.: 10/019,422

Filed: December 20, 2001

Examiner: ACKUN, Jacob K.

For: RING BINDER MECHANISM

Art Unit: 3712

Attorney Docket No.: 3827.083

Customer Number: 000041288

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Mail Stop  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Sir:

Attached hereto is a **SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT A** in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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						<b>TOTAL \$</b>	<b>18.00</b>

The appropriate fee of \$18.00 is enclosed.

Further, please charge any additional fees, except the Issue Fee, necessary for the continued pendency of this application to Deposit Account 16-0877.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Further to the Amendment filed January 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the listing which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 9 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** are reflected in the listing which begins on page 21 of this paper. A Replacement Abstract is attached at the end of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 21 of this paper.

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